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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistenty with Specification, please amend the Specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, lines 11-14, with the following amended paragraph:

FIG 1 is a schematic isometric view of two weldable metal structures joined according to one embodiment of the present invention.

FIG. 2 is a schematic cross sectional view of an apparatus that may be used in the practice of an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 3 is a schematic isometric view of two weldable metal structures joined according to an alternative embodiment of the present invention.